



TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Virtual Board Meeting

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Friday, August 7, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

Call to order

Chairman Ritchey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Prayer

Chairman Ritchey provided the board prayer.

Pledge

Chairman Ritchey recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding excused absences (Action)

Chairman Ritchey stated the Pama Hencerling was going to join the meeting late. All other members were present.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding the May 15, 2020 Board meeting minutes (Action)

Judge Jarrett moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding the July 10, 2020 Board meeting minutes (Action)

Chief Matthew moved to approve the minutes. Jimmy Smith seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Report from the chairman

Basically, my report is going to be a thank you. I want to start by thanking, first off, our probation officers and our detention staff out in the counties and in the field, who'd been carrying the line force.

They have just been nothing short of fantastic over the past four months and, and I just can't say enough about them and what they've been doing for us to our corrections officers and our staff, the facilities begin.

Words cannot describe how tremendously people appear to our teachers who have stepped up and filled in, who will be going into classrooms for us. You have you had the world's greatest admiration and respect.

For the Inspector general and the Ombudsman who have found ways to continue to check and make sure that our kids are safe, as well as Central Office staff who have made things work.

And, finally, of course, our Executive Team and our Executive Director for, for keeping us running, for thinking outside the box and, and just truly coming through, force in an inventive way that I never would have dreamed possible from all of us on the Board. Thank you for making this awesome.

Public comments

There were no public comments.

Report from the executive director

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members. Today, I will update you on where we are in terms of COVID-19 response and the some of the priorities for the year.

First, on COVID-19:

As you know, TJJD had few cases going into June. On the first day of June, we had one active case—a staff member. By July 1, we were at 65 active cases and by July 14, we hit our peak of 172 active cases. Beyond the primary concern of the health of our youth and our staff, this had many implications, both strategic and financial. Staffing took a hit, with staff in quarantine and out with the virus itself. Our first needed response was to implement our Continuation of Operations Plan, a first for me and for many others. This required additional campus staff, like teachers and case managers, to take on the roles of youth development coaches. I would like to thank all of the staff for sticking with us during this really tough time.

Unfortunately, even this was not enough to ensure that our campuses were safe. There were times when we were at risk of not making basic coverage and had to cover posts with Central Office and other staff. As you know, we entered into an agreement with a private non-profit, BCFS, to provide supplemental support on our campuses. We began that effort with 100 people and today, we are down to about 30. Additionally, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), approved additional supplemental medical support, both to augment the growing need for Quarantine Response Teams and to support UTMB medical staff. We are grateful for that support. They provided support for 89 nurses and medical professionals and as of today, we no longer need this support for now. As I mentioned in our last meeting these teams can be grown and shrunk as needed; it is good to know that should we need them in the future, they are there and ready to help. As you also know, we conducted mass testing of all youth and staff at each of our secure facilities and halfway houses. Thank you to the Texas Department of Emergency Management, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and DSHS for that support. This was very helpful in us understanding the full weight of the situation we were in and being able to respond as quickly and thoroughly as possible. All in all, we tested 2,414 people and found 152 positive results, of which 117 were previously unknown. In addition to mass testing, we have also administered another 561 tests to youth for a total number of 3,001 tests, which does not include community tests our staff have taken or our youth in halfway houses. I'm pleased to say that in the mass testing done, no new positives were found at Gainesville, Willoughby House, McFadden Ranch, or Ayers House.

July was a tough month for TJJD but August is looking up. As I mentioned earlier, we hit our peak with 172 active cases on our campuses in mid-July. In total, we have had 395 cases of COVID 19 in our secure and nonsecure facilities. Today, we have a total of 15 active cases, with 5 staff and 10 youth—that includes a total of 10 in secure facilities and 5 in halfway houses. That means that 3.8% of the total cases we have seen remain active. I am happy to report that Gainesville, Evins, Willoughby House, McFadden Ranch, Ayers House, and Karyn's House, are currently 100% COVID-19-free. Ron Jackson and Mart currently have only one active case each. Giddings has 8 active cases, including 6 youth, Tamayo House, 1 staff case, and Schaeffer House has 4, although we believe those 4 youth will be cleared very soon. While we know that the threat to our campuses is not over and that a second wave may be in our future, we are happy to be able to have a bit of a respite and to focus on some forward-thinking activities.

As you also may know, juvenile probation is also having a hard time. As of yesterday, there have been 218 county COVID-19 reports made, with 326 staff and 94 youth who have tested positive. There are 21 juvenile facilities with active COVID cases and 70 adult jails.

In light of this, having to halt intakes was a decision we did not take lightly. Assuming all goes well for the next few days, we do plan on reopening intake next week. I have to ask for continued patience as we work through

admissions for the backlog of youth awaiting intake. Additionally, if any probation chief believes they have youth you might be a good candidate for long-term contract care, we do have a process to assess and expedite those youth.

Additionally, we are recommencing a more normal version of school on all of our campuses this month. Youth will remain cohorted to avoid possible spread, but will go to school at the education building and remain in their classrooms unless doing outdoor recreation or vocational training.

As you know, beginning in January, we began working on a better response for youth who assault others. Known as the Violence Intervention Continuum, we are implementing options for youth, who on a first offense, can get the intervention and support they need beginning with what we call the Intensive Intervention Program. This means that they will remain assigned to their normal dorms, they will spend their days in the program, receiving additional support on regulating responses and dealing with the individual reasons behind the behavior. At night, they will return to their dorms during sleeping hours. As they improve, they are offered safe opportunities to begin to join into some of the usual dorm activities to reacclimate them to dorm life. If the behavior continues they will be moved to the Evins facility for additional care. In certain, rare cases, a youth may be moved to Evins immediately if the assault was particularly violent or caused significant harm. Our goal here is to free the vast majority of our youth from violence to allow them to be and feel safer and focus on their treatment and plans to go home. This process was halted in some locations because we needed the dorm space for medical observation dorms for youth with COVID-19. We are now moving forward and understand that if additional cases happen on a campus that we may have to, once again, halt before moving forward.

Also, we are preparing for next session by focusing on ironing out details for our long-term plan for reform in relation to our actual facilities, how they are used, and what we need to do better by the youth in our care. In no to low cost changes, we have been and will continue to move toward better classification of youth. Evins will become the location for highly aggressive youth. When these plans are completed, no youth would be initially assigned to Evins unless they display a high level of aggression and assaultive behavior while in intake. Gainesville will specialize in sex offender treatment. Giddings will move towards housing only determinate sentenced offenders who do not display assaultive behaviors, the vast majority of DSOs. Ron Jackson will remain the intake facility. Mart will continue to be the location for indeterminate commitment boys who do not fall into other categories. In the short-term until we can secure support to start moving towards smaller facilities, the girls will need to remain at Ron Jackson and our youth with significant mental health needs will need to stay at Giddings.

In the longer term, we need support to be able to move towards right-sized campuses, where we can fully staff and provide the level of care and supervision these youth need. For example, a separate smaller facility for youth with deep end mental health needs would allow us to locate that closer to mental health staff resources and provide a true specialization for these youth. Additionally, we need a separate small facility for girls that allows us to provide the heightened supervision levels they need and more gender-specific care. In the even longer term, the end result should be a system of lower population facilities that allows for more individualized care and more specialized populations to better meet needs.

Finally, as you all know, in an effort to shore up the state budget, state agencies are cutting 5% of their budgets for fiscal 2021. Emily Anderson talked more about this yesterday, but our goal was to limit impact to youth as much as possible. We will be doing a rolling hiring freeze, eliminating some vacant positions, and closing our current central office. We will be renting a much smaller space to allow for meetings and collaboration but long-term we will be doing a combination of remote work and hoteling. I want everyone to

know that we did our best to tighten the belt with as little impact on youth at the state and county levels as possible.

I want to thank the people of TJJD and our county partners for their dedication, incredibly long hours, resilience under stressful conditions. Our entire team has pulled together and direct care staff, juvenile supervision officers, coaches, educators, case managers, and parole staff have truly gone above and beyond to support youth and operations. That work is paying off and I am very appreciative.

Report from The Advisory Council on Juvenile Services

Chief Lynne Hadnot, Vice-President of the Advisory Council on Juvenile Services, presented.

Our last Advisory Council meeting was conducted virtually on June the 19th.

Lou Serrano, Deputy Executive Director of Probation Services, provided an update on probation services. He reported that the first response to Covid 19 was in late February, early March. On March 13th, of 2020, a notice was sent out to the field in regards to what the county's needed to do, a response to Covid 19.

It was left up to local authorities to work with their juvenile boards to determine how they handle concerns, such as, ratio compliance, case management, and visitation of facilities, giving local departments and agencies a much needed and critical flexibility, and response to this, to this urgent situation. So, that support was very much appreciate it.

At the end of March, it was reported that. Will notice was sent out to probation field requesting that the report, any positive tests, took over 19 of staff or youth to the state via the Incident Reporting Center, and by all accounts, probation departments responded well according to the report that was submitted by mister Serrano.

It was also reported that 18 juvenile facilities had been impacted at that time.

With 48 staff ranging from ..., administrators, juvenile probation officers, eight youth also tested positive for Covid 19. There was also 11 juvenile facilities and 37 adult jails.

At that time, had been placed on an admission holds due to having positive test results at that time.

Additionally, there were 53 juveniles committed across the state that were pending transportation to TJJD at the time of our most recent meeting.

Next, Debra Emerson, the Director of Youth and Family Services, provided an update on TDFPS. She reported that caseworkers at that time were working remotely and using Zoom, Goto Meeting and FaceTime, applications to stay connected to their youth and families.

TDFPS Leadership was also encouraging caseworkers to look to find the best practices.

Regarding handling the pandemic and again, making sure that those kids and families receive those critical critically needed services. I'm doing that very stressful period. Mrs. Emerson also reported that there were some changes being made and leadership at the agency.

Mrs. Emerson also spoke about their staffing within their agency and reported that there were no layoffs. So, they were able to retain all of their staff at that time and again, staff training, informational meetings, everything was being conducted virtually due to the pandemic.

Next, during our AC meeting, we move to our subcommittee reports.

Kaci Singer provided an update on Chapter 344 workgroup. She reported that the workgroup had completed their work and the goal was still to present the proposed changes to the TJJD Board.

Chairman Cockerell reported to the Funding Formula Committee or provided a report for that committee, reported that due to the pandemic the group had suspended meetings until it could be determining what type of impact Covid 19 would have on state and local budgets.

Casey Singer also provided an update on the Chapter 353 workgroup, that workgroup has created a 12-page chapter and is requesting that chiefs on the AC, the Advisory Council to afford those recommendations to the field, for the field to be able to review and provide the workgroup with critically needed feedback.

The workgroup will continue to work on the research section and data that needs to be collected.

The goal of the workgroup is to have standards completed and ready to present to the TJJD Board at the October Board meeting.

In terms of new business, Mrs. Amy Miller informed the Advisory Council that Kelly Warren had been hired as a new director of integrated treatment.

Amy Miller also reported a request from the governor's office to produce a plan to reduce the budget by 5%, which was just discussed briefly, earlier in today's meeting.

Next thing, Mrs. Miller reported that the 5% reduction plan would also impact the TEA Agency, and their plan would include a reduction of approximately \$625,000, which will impact JJAEPs across the state of Texas.

They will take 180,000 out of FY 2020 and will take the remaining 445,000 out of the FY 2021 budget.

And again, that's out of the overall reductions of some of the agencies across the state.

In terms of old business, Mr. Bristow provided an update on information sharing, among counties statewide, and conversations continue to be ongoing with before texture counties and the JCMS basic counties across the state.

Our next meeting is scheduled to take place on September 11th at 10:00 AM.

Report from the chief inspector general

Mr. Forrest Mitchell, Chief Inspector General, reported.

Mr. Chairman, on behalf of OIG, thank you for your kind words.

The OIG reporting begins on page 23 of your board materials.

Yesterday, I briefed the Safety and Security on the OIG 3rd quarter statistics that have been included in you board materials, but also in the OIG quarterly report that we published to stakeholders last week.

As I mentioned to the Safety & Security Committee yesterday, some of these numbers are lower than the 2nd quarter.

OIG case dispositions were impacted by the temporary closure of courthouses, and the postponement of grand juries, hearings, and other court proceedings during the 3rd quarter.

I was pleased to report to the committee that we continued to see an overall reduction in the number of open state abuse, neglect, and exploitation cases based on the blending of the two investigative teams, criminal and administrative, as well as the cross training of staff.

There has also been a significant reduction in the average days required to closure on state administrative investigations as well.

I also reported to the committee that the number of county abuse, neglect, and exploitation investigations has remained relatively consistent between the calendar years.

I am pleased to report that the average number of days to close those county cases is also down from last quarter.

Yesterday, I briefed to committee on OIG operations.

OIG continues to collaborate with TJJD on the COVID19 pandemic response.

The 24-hr Incident Reporting Center continues to handle COVID19 related calls, and OIG telecommunications operators assist TJJD with notifications of placement/ or release of intake holds through secure messaging with county detention facilities throughout the state.

COVID19 continues to impact investigations and prosecutions of criminal and delinquent conduct occurring at TJJD facilities, as well as the apprehension of TJJD fugitives that have absconded from halfway houses or parolees violating the conditions of their parole.

Over the past five months, we have seen some jails seeking to release non-violent offenders, return TJJD offenders that were booked on new OIG charges, delays in grand jury presentations, and delays in hearings which push back pleas and transfers to TDCJ.

I would like to conclude my board remarks by recognizing some professional achievements of a few members of the OIG team.

Capt. Angela Fritts is currently attending the first module of the Leadership Command College at Law Enforcement Management Institute at Sam Houston State University.

Assistant Chief Kevin Dubose and Capt. Lesly Jacobs are slotted to attend their program orientation this fall and next year.

Two other members of the OIG command staff have now submitted their applications as well. Capt. Reid, Deputy Chief Guajardo, and I are all alumni of this roughly 10-week state leadership program.

Finally, I am also excited to announce that Deputy Chief Guajardo has just graduated with his Master Degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management from Sam Houston State University as well. Well done.

I would also like to thank Chief Guajardo and Jeff Arrendondo on their hard work in moving the CRIMES project with SHSU forward. Despite the many obstacles of COVID19, Daniel and Jeff facilitated remote meetings, project demonstrations, and developmental workshops. Bottom line, they both kept the project moving ahead at a critical time. Thank you.

That concludes my prepared remarks and I will answer any questions you may have.

Chairman Ritchey asked for more information about the CRIMES system.

I informed the board that this system in law enforcement workflow system with a computer aided dispatch program. This would replace a number of legacy TYC applications that date back to 2008. Those systems are difficult to maintain, are obsolete, and will soon become unsupportable. The CRIMES software application is in use by law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Texas, and was developed at Sam Houston State University. CRIMES and SHSU has been working with the OIG and the OIO to adapt these programs to the unique environment here at TJJD. We hope to be operationalizing this application soon.

Report from the Trust Committee

Jimmy Smith, Trust Committee Chairman, provided an overview of the agenda items that were presented at the August 6, 2020 Trust Committee meeting.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of Parrie Haynes and John C. Wende Trust Fund FY 2021 Budgets (Action)

Emily Anderson, Chief Financial and Operating Officer. The FY 21 proposed budget for the Parrie Haynes Trust Fund totals \$113,000 and FY 21 proposed budget for the John C Wende totals \$161,500. The Parrie Haynes Trust budget for FY 21 contains expenditure projections that exceed the revenues for next fiscal year. However, available cash balances at the end of this fiscal year, coupled with projected revenue for next fiscal year, will be sufficient to support the projected expenditures staff recommends the Board's approval of the annual budget for these two trusts. Commissioner Morales moved to approve the trust budgets. Judge Jarrett seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Report from the Finance and Audit Committee

Scott Matthew, Finance and Audit Committee Chairman, provided an overview of the agenda items that were presented at the August 6, 2020 Finance and Audit Committee meeting.

Chief Pama Hencerling joined the meeting.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding an acknowledgement of gifts (Action)

Emily Anderson, Chief Financial and Operating Officer. Reform Alliance has offered to donate 10,000 to 20,000 3-ply surgical masks to protect TJ JD staff and youth from Covid 19. With a value of between \$4000 and \$8000. And staff recommends acknowledgement of these gifts pursuant to the provisions of Government Code and TJJD Policy. Following board's approval, a letter will be sent to Reform Alliance notifying them of the acknowledgement and to express appreciation for their support of the Department. Chief Matthew moved to approve the gift acknowledgement. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the FY 2021 Operating Budget (Action)

The total FY 21 operating budget is \$324.45 million, of which \$304.2 million is General Revenue. This is an increase (note error in memo) \$0.05 million (0.02 percent) compared to the FY20 operating budget. Although the overall budget increased slightly, there is a \$5 million decrease in general revenue funding. The increase in funding occurs in non-General Revenue methods of finance. Not included in the FY21 totals are probation grant refunds that could be added to the budget as they are received.

The proposed budget works within available funding to continue the mission of the agency, maintain maximized support of local probation departments, operate safe facilities with effective programs, and preserve excellent customer service. With the uncertainty of the economic impact of current events, prudence would suggest the agency continue to identify efficiencies and reallocations of funding, reorganization of duties, and other changes in operations from the recommended budget to guard against unforeseen needs. Out of the FY 21 proposed budget, \$6.8M in probation funding and \$12.8M in state operations funding has been earmarked and set aside to meet the agency's obligation for the 5% cost reduction plan.

A resolution approving the proposed FY 2021 Operating Budget and granting authority to the Executive Director to make reasonable and necessary adjustments for the fulfillment of the mission of TJJD, the maintenance of a balanced budget, and the management of appropriations, has been prepared for board approval.

Chief Pama Hencerling moved to approve the budget. Chief Scott Matthew seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the County Grants Audit Report (Action)

Eleazar Garcia, Chief Internal Auditor, presented. The Report on the County Grants Audit, starts on page 54.

The objective for the audit is to determine if the Community Juvenile Justice Grant Funds are administered and managed in accordance with agency policies. The scope covered the 2018 / 2019 biennium [[and included grant disbursements, grant monitoring activities, management reports, review of records and reports, as maintained in the Uniform Statewide Accounting System (USAS) and Grant Manager, as well as System access controls for associated systems (COMETS, ICIS, and Grant Manager)]]]. The Chart on page 59 provides you the breakdown of the Community Juvenile Justice Funds for the biennium, approximately 159 million in each of the two fiscal years. As mentioned yesterday, the scope excluded Regional Diversion and Title IV-E Grants.

We noted:

- Standards and procedures are in place to manage and administer the funds.
- An allocation methodology is used to disburse the funds in compliance with Section 223 of the Human Resources Code.
- Contracts are entered into for grant disbursements.
- Procedures are in place to monitor and provide oversight of the Grant funds [[to include field visits, desk reviews, and completion of independent audits.]]
- Access to information systems is authorized and annual reviews of active users are performed for related systems (These are COMETS, ICIS, and Grant Manager).

Opportunities to improve operations were noted as follows:

- The State aid contracting process can be improved, specifically with pre-contract approval documentation, maintaining fully executed contract documentation, and ensuring conflict of interest forms are completed for all applicable parties
- The process for granting a waiver of the independent audit of the grant funds is not addressed in policy.
- The Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and Internal Control should conform to expectations of the state aid contract.
- Fiscal monitoring documentation can be improved to support reviews completed.
- System user access levels should be updated to comply with information security standards and controls.
- Management concurs with the findings and responses to the recommendations, start on page 64 of the Board Packet.

Allison Palmer moved to approve the audit. James Castro seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding contract renewals requiring board approval pursuant to GAP.385.1101 (Action)

Christian von Wupperfeld, General Counsel, presented. He stated we are modifying the way that we are presenting contracts now to the board. Our prior practice to bring contracts before the board with either just the base term amount or the upcoming years not to exceed value, which is a perfectly good practice. However, we, just, in reviewing our practices and always trying to improve, we identified an opportunity to provide the board additional information. Create, additional transparency at the same time.

So, here and going forward, when you see a contract it will reflect the total value of the contract, which is to say the base term plus all potential amendments or future option years. And so, the number may be big, but it's also potentially a 6- or 10-year contract.

So, you may be seeing some larger numbers, but that's the reason why, previously you might have only been seeing, in one year at a time, subject to your question, any of the specific contracts listed, I am open to any questions. Judge Jarrett moved to approve the contract renewals. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Report from the Programs Committee

Chief Edeska Barnes, Program Committee Chairman, provided an overview of the agenda items that were presented at the August 6, 2020 Program Committee meeting.

Report from the Safety and Security Committee

Judge Lisa Jarrett, Safety and Security Chairwoman, provided an overview of the agenda items that were presented at the August 6, 2020 Program Committee meeting.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding the discipline of certified officers – Agreed Orders (Action)

Kaci Singer presented the agreed orders.

- a. Ramon Montanya, Certification No. 31248, 20-31248-190300
- b. Katrice Cole, Certification No. 34257, 20-34257-200085
- c. Yancy Angeles, Certification No. 29159, 20-29159-200071
- d. Ethan Farmer, Certification No. 30506, 20- 30506-200071
- e. Marcus Allen, Certification No. 25996, 20-25996-200053
- f. Derhl Pratt, Certification No. 34007, 20-34007-200050
- g. Jessica Heaney, Certification No. 34485, 20-34485-200002
- h. Jacklyn Medellin, Certification No. 34150, 20-34150-200094
- i. Kimberly Thomas, Certification No. 34586, 20-34586-200094
- j. Dennis Porter, Certification No. 20522, 20-20522-200121

Item a – Ms. Palmer moved to approve. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Judge Jarrett abstained. The motion passed.

Item b – d, g, j – Judge Jarrett moved to approve. James Smith seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Item e and f – Chief Scott Matthew moved to approve. Allison Palmer seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Chief Edeska Barnes and Mona Lisa Chambers abstained. The motion passed.

Item h and i – Chief Scott Matthew moved to approve. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Allison Palmer abstained. The motion passed.

Discussion, consideration, and possible approval regarding the discipline of certified officers- Default Orders (Action)

Kaci Singer presented the default orders.

- a. Laura De Los Santos, Certification No. 34334, 20-34334-200110
- b. Robert O Hill, Certification No. 10513, 20-10513-200133

- a. Eurie Merritt, Certification No. 34591, 20-34591-200048
- b. Eric Moore, Certification No., 19351, 20-19351-200048
- c. Osvaldo Villalobos, Certification No. 31603, 20-31603-200120
- d. Shirley Burr, Certification No. 33545, 20-33545
- e. Graciela Castillo, Certification No. 23210, 2020-0044-23210
- f. Guadalupe Chapa, Certification No. 26743, 2020-0044-26743
- g. Guadalupe Garcia, Certification No. 30664, 2020-0044-30664
- h. Robert Garza, Certification No. 34735, 2020-0044-34735
- i. Nelissa Gonzalez, Certification No. 32719, 2020-0044-32719
- j. Ruben Gonzalez, Certification No. 34700, 2020-0044-34700
- k. Humberto Hernandez, Certification No. 11544, 2020-0044-11544
- l. Chelsea Morales, Certification No. 27849, 2020-0044-27849
- m. Christy Morin, Certification No. 34736, 2020-0044-34736
- n. Pedro Ochoa, Certification No. 23212, 2020-0044-23212
- o. Georgia Parr, Certification No. 32629, 14311, 2020-0044-32629, 14311
- p. Amando Reyes, Certification No. 34284, 2020-0044-34284
- q. Vanessa Reyes, Certification No. 33822, 2020-0044-33822
- r. Daniel Sanchez, Certification No. 34573, 2020-0044-34573
- s. Juan Sanchez, Certification No. 27869, 2020-0044-27869
- t. Annie Tanguma, Certification No. 29011, 2020-0044-29011
- u. Mary Jo Vidal, Certification No. 11543, 2020-0044-11543
- v. Angel Santiago Mendoza, Certification No. 34207, 20-34207-190342
- w. Charles Durst, Certification No. 32173, 20-32173-190276
- x. Morris Kelly, Certification No. 32424, 20-32424-200091
- y. Courtney Macon, Certification No. 31948, 20-31948-190260
- z. Arthur McGuire, Certification No. 27588, 20-27588-200019
- aa. Nathan Martinez, Certification No. 34288, 20-34288-190314
- bb. Charles Smith, Jr., Certification No. 33709, 20-33709-200047
- cc. Juan Celedon, Certification No. 34906, 20-34906-200154
- dd. Charles Smith, Jr., Certification No. 33709, 20-33709-200047
- ee. Juan Celedon, Certification No. 34906, 20-34906-200154

We sent the petitions to each of these individuals, and they did not respond in the time period. And we have still not heard from them. And so, we're asking that you grant the discipline that was requested in the petitions on needs.

Item a – e – James Smith moved to approve the orders. Chief Pama Hencerling seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Judge Jarrett abstained. The motion passed.

Item f – Judge Jarrett moved to approve the orders. James Smith seconded. The roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Item g – y, and dd – Chief Scott Matthew moved to approve the orders. Commissioner Morales seconded. The roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Item z – bb - Judge Jarrett moved to approve the orders. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Chief Edeska Barnes and Mona Lisa Chambers abstained. The motion passed.

Item ee – James Smith moved to approve the orders. Commissioner Morales seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Chief Scott Matthew abstained. The motion passed.

The vote on item cc was inadvertently missed. However, it was also listed twice as item ee. No further action is needed.

The open board meeting recessed so the members could convene in closed session.

Closed Session – Executive Session

- a. Government Code §551.071 Consultation with attorney regarding litigation (see footnote)
- b. Government Code §551.072 Deliberation regarding real property (John C. Wende and Parrie Haynes trusts)
- c. Government Code §551.074 Discussion regarding personnel matters

Reconvene in Open Session

Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding agenda items discussed in Executive Session (Action)

Chairman Ritchey announced there were no items discussed during executive session that needed action.

Adjourn

Chairman Ritchey adjourned the meeting.

- The Texas Juvenile Justice Board reserves the right to limit the time and scope of public comments as deemed appropriate by the Board.
- The Texas Juvenile Justice Board reserves the right to take formal Board action on any posted agenda item if necessary.
- Items may not necessarily be considered in the order in which they appear on the agenda.
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